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ALL THE NEWS OF THE WORLD.

THE WEATHER.
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EDWARD S. GREEN.

THE SENATE'S CHRISTMAS GIFT

The Senate Repeals Confederate Disabilities.

Without a Dissenting Vote Republicans and Democrats Alike Urge It—In the House a Resolution to Open the South Platte Forest Reservation Was Objected to—The Brazilian Chamber Comends the President's Message.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The Senate to-day presented a Christmas present to the South, as Mr. Hill, of New York, aptly characterized the bill repealing the prospective disabilities, passed at the close of the war, against the service of ex-Confederates in the United States army or navy. The passage of such a repeal, without a dissenting vote in a Senate having a Republican plurality, and with Northern Senators taking the initiative, lent a gracefulness and significance to the action in marked contrast with the former war controversies in Congress.

The Southern Senators, with the exception of Mr. Daniel, of Virginia, took no part in urging the repeal, and several of them, including Mr. Walthall and Mr. Cockrell, who served in the Confederate ranks, voted for a postponement by reference to committee. But with such champions on the Republican side of the chamber as Messrs. Chandler, Hawley and Platt, and on the other side as Mr. Hill and Mr. Voorhees, the repeal was readily accomplished. In the two hours given to speeches on the measure there was the fullest expression of a desire to bury war animosities.

The Senate did little beyond debating and passing this bill. Mr. Allen offered a resolution, which was referred, urging a Latin American union, in which all the republics of the western hemisphere would make common cause against European encroachments.

Mr. Hill, in introducing the proscription repeal bill, said it would be a most fitting and generous Christmas present to the men of the South.

Mr. Sherman (Rep., O.) suggested that there should be no committee action. "I will vote for this bill," said Mr. Sherman. The time is past for such discrimination. But the usual course of committee action should be taken.

Mr. Chandler (Rep., N. H.) urged immediate action. "Thirty years have elapsed since the war. There was no reason for keeping this proscription, and there was abundant reason for repealing it."

"The other day," added Mr. Chandler, "we came to the support of a Democratic question of international affairs and I hope that the Senate will to-day without criticism and without a voice of opposition unanimously approve this repeal."

Mr. Gray (Dem. Del.), while favoring the bill believed committee action would secure the most satisfactory action.

Mr. Allen, speaking as a former private in the Northern ranks, urged the repeal and condemned the "bloody flag" politics of the past. The Senator caused some amusement by referring to the time when the cause which he served captured the command of the Senator from Missouri, Mr. Cockrell.

Mr. Hill closed by pointing out the delays and absurdities of committee action. He created a laugh by pointing out the inconsiderateness of Mr. Platt in not sending him some of the complimentary Southern press notes. "For," said Mr. Hill, good naturedly, "it is so seldom now-a-days that the press says anything complimentary of me."

Mr. Sherman moved to refer the bill to the committee on military affairs. The motion was defeated 8 to 30. Messrs. Bacon, Cockrell, Elkins, Frye, Gray, Sherman Teller and Walthall voted yes.

The vote being short of a quorum a call of the Senate revealed forty-seven Senators present.

"It is evident," interposed Mr. Sherman, "that a majority of the Senate will show up to give this bill as a Christmas present to the South, and I therefore withdraw my motion for a reference." Thereupon, without division, the bill was passed.

Mr. Vest's resolution for coining the silver bullion in the treasury then came up. Mr. Vest presenting some amended features. Mr. Morrill moved to refer the resolution to the finance committee. Mr. Vest demanded a roll call. It looked like an unexpected demonstration of the silver strength. To avoid this Mr. Vest recalled his resolution and on his motion the Senate adjourned till Friday.

In the House.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The session of the House was brief to-day, the only business transacted being the distribution of the President's message asking the several committees having jurisdiction of the parts thereof and the passing of a bill making Palm Beach, Florida, a port of entry.

Mr. Shafer, of Colorado, attempted to secure the passage of a resolution to open South Platte and Plum Creek forest reservations in Colorado, where there have recently been large gold discoveries, to mining claimants, but it was objected to.

Speaker Reed had read a communication from the chamber of the republic of Brazil, felicitating the House of Representatives on the President's strong position on the Monroe doctrine. The communication was applauded. The message was as follows:

"RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 21.
"To the President of the Chamber of Representatives, Washington, D. C.
"The chamber of deputies of the republic of the United States of Brazil

congratulates the chamber of the republics of the North American union for President Cleveland's worthy message which so nobly and highly defends the rights and the liberties of the American nations consecrated in Monroe's principles.

"ROSA E. SILVA, President."
The House then at 12:40 adjourned until Thursday.

GENERAL MILES' VISIT.
Personal Inspection of the Southern Coast Defenses.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—It is now learned that the main purpose of General Miles' visit to the cities of our South Atlantic coast was to ascertain by personal inspection the actual condition of the coast defenses in that section, and to call the attention of the Southern people to the exposed position they would occupy in the event of hostilities.

He was impressed with the antiquated condition of the defenses at Fortress Monroe, which is relied upon not only to defend the national capital and Baltimore and Norfolk and Richmond from attack by water, but even more to form an impregnable base of naval operations and a safe refuge for our warships in the event that they are forced to retire before an overwhelming hostile naval force.

Although the War Department has very little money available it possibly will take steps to improve the defenses there, relying upon sufficient appropriations from the present Congress to restore the work to the standing they had at the breaking out of the civil war, making it one of the strongest defenses of the world.

The Following Valuable Testimonial Was Written by Mr. Farmer, who is Well Known Throughout Virginia:

ROANOKE, VA., Dec. 12, 1895.
HOBBS MUSIC CO., Roanoke, Va.

GENTLEMEN: I have known and tuned the Lindeman Piano for many years, and regard it one of the best first-class, high grade pianos made. In fact, the Lindeman uprights are strictly artistic instruments and far superior to some of the old celebrated makes, the manufacturers of which claim to be the best. The Lindeman, therefore, appeals to all musicians, who must admire the tone and touch, as well as the elegantly finished cases.

It is thoroughly well made of the best material, hence absolutely durable.

Very truly,
H. L. FARMER.

Presidential Nominations Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate: Treasury—To be second assistant engineers in the revenue cutter service, Daniel W. Blake, of Mississippi; Urban Harvey, Virginia; Theo. G. Lewton, Virginia; Albert C. Norman, Kentucky; Henry K. Spencer, Wisconsin; Robert E. Wright, Virginia; Horace D. Glover, District of Columbia; Henry F. Schoomburn, Jr., District of Columbia; Herman Kotschmar, Jr., of Maine; Taylor W. Ross, of Indiana; Milton V. Thompson, of Pennsylvania. State—Robt. Tilton, Jr., of the District of Columbia, chief of consuls. Also, Major Thomas Henry Handbury, engineer corps, member of Mississippi river commission.

Commander Ludlow Promoted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The President has approved the resolution of the naval examining board that Commander Ludlow be promoted to the rank of captain in the navy. He had refused to approve the resolution to the same effect because the officer was charged with having made conflicting statements as to the fitness for promotion of a brother officer. Passed Assistant Engineer John R. Edmonds, now on duty in the bureau of steam engineering, has been promoted to be chief engineer.

Government Receipts.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—National bank notes received to-day for redemption \$262,611; Government receipts from internal revenue, \$235,684; customs, \$210,056; miscellaneous, \$111,238.

12,000 LBS. NUTS JUST RECEIVED, AND THEY MUST GO.

MIXED NUTS, 10c LB.
PECAN NUTS, 10c LB.
FILBERTS, 10c LB.
WALNUTS, 10c LB.
BRAZIL NUTS, 10c LB.
ALMONDS, 15c LB.
COCOANUTS, 5c.
RAISINS, 5c LB.
SEEDLESS RAISINS, 5c LB.
CLEANED CURRANTS, 10c DOZ.
LEMONS, 15c DOZ.
ORANGES, 40c DOZ.

CATOGNI BROS.

The Philadelphia Strike Settled.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—In accordance with the terms of the agreement entered into last night the striking motormen and conductors all returned to work this morning, and the city has resumed its normal condition. Everybody seems relieved that the scenes of turmoil are at an end. Only a few of the men from other cities are at work. It is understood that they are returning to their homes in great numbers. Some of the motormen have their cars decorated with flags in honor of resumption of work.

British Steamer Stranded.

DUBLIN, Dec. 24.—The British ship Moresby, Captain Coomber, was stranded yesterday off the Ballinacourty lights near Dungarville, about a mile and a half from the shore. Her crew, numbering thirty six men, lashed themselves to her rigging throughout the night. To-day a life boat succeeded in getting to the Moresby and rescued several of her crew. Later the Moresby broke up and seventeen of her crew were drowned.

Over Two Hundred Sold.

OVER two hundred Marshall & Wendell pianos sold in Roanoke and vicinity to leading musicians and citizens, within the last two years by Hobbie Music Co., sole dealers. "Nothing succeeds like success."

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SECRETARY SMITH'S LETTER

In Reply to Delegate Flynn's Resolution.

Asking the Reasons for Delay in the Allotment of Lands on the Wichita Reservation to the Indians and the Opening of the Surplus Land to Settlement. His Wife's Cousin Attorney for the Wichita's.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The Secretary laid before the House to-day a letter from the Secretary of the Interior transmitting a reply to Delegate Flynn's resolution, asking the reasons for delay in the allotment of lands on the Wichita reservation to the Indians and the opening of the surplus land to settlement. The Secretary shows that the lands occupied by the Wichita Indians are part of what is known as the leased district ceded by the Choctaws and Chickasaws to the United States. There is, the Secretary shows, a difference of opinion as to whether the Choctaws and Chickasaws conveyed to the United States an absolute title to the lands, or if they ceded them only for the purpose of allowing them to be used to be located upon.

The matter is now before the court of claims for adjudication and the secretary says he has delayed suggesting to the President the appointment of allotting agents on account of disadvantages which might accrue from having allotments made and the surplus lands thrown open to settlement before the claim of the Choctaws and Chickasaws is adjusted. The litigation before the court of claims certainly involves the title of the lands to be allotted as well as the lands to be opened.

As to the inquiry whether any of the Secretary's connections or relations by blood or marriage are acting as attorneys for the Indians or any party or any parties interested in delaying the opening of the same to settlement, the Secretary says: "Andrew A. Lipcomb, of Washington, is the husband of a second cousin of my wife. He is one of the counsel for the Wichitas growing out of the claim of the Choctaws and Chickasaws for the revisionary interest in the land occupied by the Wichitas. I attach a copy of the contract made by the Wichitas with their attorneys."

It will be seen the compensation of the counsel for the Wichitas is to be a percentage of the money received from the sale of the land in case it is decided that the Choctaws and Chickasaws have no revisionary interest in those lands. I am not aware of any interest which the counsel for the Wichitas can have in delaying the allotment and sale of the surplus lands. No one has ever suggested an interest or a desire on their part or their clients' part for delay. No connection or relation by blood or marriage of mine is acting as attorney for any party or parties interested in delaying the opening of the lands to settlement. No party or parties I have placed in the Interior Department have interposed an objection to the full execution of the act of March 2, 1895."

San Domingo Raising Revenue.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The State department is informed that the San Domingo government has imposed an additional charge on all imports and exports of two per cent, which is to be calculated on the total amount of each liquidation. The principal articles of exports to the United States are coffee and sugar.

Called on Secretary Olney.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The House committee on foreign affairs, headed by Chairman Hitt, called upon the Secretary of the State Department to pay their respects, as is usual at the beginning of a new Congress. The Secretary received the committee in a diplomatic room.

Will Offer a Silver Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The Populist Senators conferred to-day and decided to offer a free silver coinage bill as an addition to either a tariff or bond bill when they come over from the House. The Populists are favorable to a duty on wool but against a raise in duties on woolen goods.

North Atlantic Squadron.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—No orders to sail have yet gone to the North Atlantic squadron, now lying in Hampton Roads, and the officers and crews will be permitted at least to eat their Christmas dinners on shore with their friends or in American waters aboard their ships.

Sixteen Men Drowned.

DUBLIN, Dec. 24.—A large three-masted vessel has been seen flying signals of distress in Kingstown bay. A lifeboat which went to her assistance was capsized and her crew of sixteen men were drowned. A second lifeboat which started for the rescue was also overturned, but the crew managed to cling to the boat, which was finally righted. The fate of the three-master is not known.

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THE VENEZUELAN COMMISSION.

The President Devoting Considerable Time to Consideration of Its Personnel.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Cleveland is just now devoting a large share of his time to the consideration of the personnel of the Venezuelan boundary commission to the exclusion of practically all other public matters, including that of another bond issue, which latter matter he regards as temporarily, at least, in the hands of Congress.

In the matter of the boundary commission the President will be guided by only one consideration namely, that the members shall be men of international reputation for their high character and intellectual attainments. He will use the greater care in his selections for the reason that the work of the commission will be largely of an ex-parte nature, hence the character of the men must be such as to command the conclusions to the full confidence and respect of all nations.

REV. DR. DAME DEAD.

A Distinguished Danville Divine Passes Away.

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 24.—Dr. George W. Dame, rector emeritus of the Church of the Epiphany of this city, died suddenly of heart failure at 6:30 o'clock this evening. He was 83 years old and was rector here fifty-five years. He was a prominent Mason, having been master of one of the lodges here from 1845 to 1869, and grand chaplain of the grand lodge since 1864.

Dr. Dame was a native of New Hampshire, was a professor in Hampden-Sidney College, and was president of the old Danville Female College for many years. Three of his sons are Episcopal ministers: Dr. W. M. Dame, of Baltimore; Rev. Nelson P. Dame, of Winchester, Va.; and Rev. G. W. Dame, Jr., of Smyrna, Del. The funeral will take place here Thursday and will be attended by Bishops Whittle and Randolph and by the officers of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Killed His Daughter's Husband.

DES MOINES, Dec. 24.—A sensational tragedy, resulting from an elopement, occurred here to-day in the murder of Walter Scott, a young business man, by R. S. Dawson, whose daughter Clara was a few hours before married to Scott. The young people have been lovers for some time, but Miss Dawson's parents would not consent to their marriage. This afternoon the pair eloped and were married by a justice of the peace. After the ceremony Mr. Scott, accompanied by police officer Duval, went to the residence of his bride's parents to get some clothes belonging to her. Mr. Dawson refused to give up the clothes, and as his callers turned to go, fired four shots at Scott with fatal effect. Dawson is under arrest.

Crashed Through a Trestle.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 24.—A shifting engine on the West Shore Terminal crashed through a trestle extending into the wharves on the Ashley river, in the northern suburbs of the city at 9:30 this morning. Killing Engineer George D. Baxter and brakeman Clarence H. Turner. W. A. Rowley, a fireman jumped from the cab and conductor W. P. Danner from the pilot, and escaping with slight injuries. Baxter was 75 years old and had been an engineer forty years. He leaves a wife and several children. Turner was 23 years old and unmarried.

Sir Edward Harland Dead.

BELFAST, Dec. 24.—Sir Edward Harland, head of the famous shipbuilding firm of Harland & Wolff, died to-day. He was a member of the parliament for North Belfast in the conservative interest, was sixty-four years of age and was twice mayor of Belfast. Sir Edward Harland was for many years chairman of the harbor commissioners of Belfast and was one of the foremost organizers of the Ulster convention. His baronetcy was the gift of Lord Salisbury and dates from 1885.

S. A. Owen Indicted.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The grand jury to-day voted an indictment against S. A. Owen, who is charged with having tried to mail infernal machines to P. D. Armour and George M. Pullman. The indictment was based on the State law which declares the sending of explosives for an illegal purpose to be a felony punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Queen Lili Behaving Well.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Advice from Hawaii to a local paper are to the effect that President Dole and his cabinet are so well pleased with the way in which ex-Queen Liliouokalani has conducted herself since her release on parole that the granting of a full pardon to her is under consideration.

Gales on the British Coast.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Heavy gales prevailed to-day over the coasts of Great Britain and several wrecks have already been reported. A schooner was seen to run ashore in the Tyne, near Shields, where she became a total wreck. It is believed that all the members of her crew were drowned.

THIS IS WORTH THINKING OVER.

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THE TWO NEW REVENUE BILLS

The Republicans Decide Upon Several Changes in Them.

Cereals, Breadstuffs, Live Stock and Dairy Products Will Simply Be an Advance of Fifteen Per Cent. Under the Horizontal Clause—In the Bond Bill the Rate of Interest Will Be Three Per Cent. and Greenbacks Will Be Temporarily Isolated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee held another conference this evening and decided upon several changes in the two revenue bills, which will be introduced in the House Thursday. The most important change in the tariff bill was to drop the clause putting cereal breadstuffs, live stock and dairy products at an advance of 25 per cent. over the Wilson-Gorman rates, so that these features will simply be an advance of 15 per cent. under the horizontal clause.

It was also decided to advance carpet goods to the McKinley bill rates, but other products of wool will remain at 60 per cent. of the McKinley tariff according to the agreement of yesterday. The other change was to exempt sugar from the provisions of the clause for a horizontal advance of 15 per cent. Lumber will remain, as was decided yesterday, at 60 per cent. of the McKinley duty.

In the bond bill the principal issue as used will be a change of the rate of interest authorized by the act of 1875, of four per cent. to three per cent., and bonds that will be payable at the option of the Government after three years. The rate of interest for the one-year treasury certificates of indebtedness will be raised from two per cent. to three per cent. This bill will also provide for the temporary isolation of the greenbacks, so that they will be held separate in the treasury and not included with the general assets of the Government.

Several important considerations operated to bring about changes in the tariff bill. There has been little doubt from the beginning that sugar would be exempted from whatever tariff changes that were made, because any attempts to alter the schedule would give rise to complications. The decision to drop farm products and cattle from the list of duties to be advanced will cause much disappointment among the Western men; but so much trouble arose over the settlement of the item that it was thought best to drop their consideration.

An effort was made to have iron and steel and their products given an advance but it met the opposition of the Western men and was abandoned. Its abandonment had something to do with the dropping of the live stock and cereal advances contemplated. The iron and steel interests argued that they should be equally favored with the farmers.

Members of the committee state emphatically that the bills are not intended in any way to represent Republican policies on the tariff or finances; they are merely temporary expedients to meet an emergency, the Republicans holding the emergency is caused by an insufficient income of revenue. Mr. Dingley had a conference to-day with Secretary Carlisle over the bills.

To-morrow both bills will be considered at a meeting, which members of the committee will attend.

Ten in Flames.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23.—Fire this evening destroyed the five-story building at 214 West street, occupied by W. W. Thomas, wholesale dealer in teas, spices, etc. The entire contents of the building were burned. Ten thousand chests of tea was the principal stock on hand, all of which was lost. The building itself was gutted by the flames. The loss will not be less than \$100,000, of which insurance will cover about 80 per cent. The firm was the largest wholesale tea house in the country outside of New York city. The Cincinnati Scale Company and the Howe Scale Manufacturing Company are also losers to some extent by water damage.

Settlers Murdered by Apaches.

DENVER, Dec. 24.—A special to the Republican from Phoenix, Ariz., says: News reached here that Pearley Ellison and his family were murdered by Apaches in lower Pleasant Valley in the mountains, one hundred and forty miles east of here, nearly a week ago. A sheriff's posse killed Naintage, the Apache sub-chief, several weeks ago and started in pursuit of others. The settlers have been appreciative of an Apache raid ever since.

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